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Subject: Information disclosure statement

37C.F.R.§1.56.

Dear Sir/Madam,

This is an Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the duty to disclose information material to patentability under 37 C.F.R. §1.56. The applicant wishes to make of record the document listed on the accompanying form PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the examiner initials the cited reference on the form and that it be made of record in the application and that a copy of the initialed form be sent to the applicant with the next communication from the examiner.

Since the IDS is filed before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits, consideration of the information disclosure statement is hereby requested according to 37C.F.R.§1.97(b). The prior art patents contained in the information disclosure statement were cited in communications from the Taiwan Intellectual Property Office on March 3, 2003. The applicant sincerely hopes that the examiner can consider the item contained in the information disclosure statement.

According to the requirement set forth in 37 C.F.R.\$1.98

and M. P. E. P. 609 (Rev. 1, Feb. 2000), the applicant is submitting a copy of the cited reference (Taiwan Patent Application No. 86213476, ID number 331428, "MODULIZED PANEL PC") and a concise explanation of the relevance in this application hereinafter. Another cited prior art patent (U.S. Patent No. 6, 188, 659 B1, "METHOD FOR INSURING UNIQUENESS OF AN ORIGINAL CD) is enclosed with the information disclosure statement in conformance with M. P. E. P. 609.

Please refer to Fig. 4 of TP Application No.86213476 showing a panel PC made up of three separate modules, including a display module 1, a power module 2, and a computer module 3. The two latter modules 2 and 3 are disposed at the back of the display module 1. The computer module 3 comprises a motherboard, necessary storage apparatus, input/output ports, and other essential components of a general computer. It is important to note that these essential components are set in the computer module 3, and not between the display and a rear cover. Further, TP Application No.86213476 does not provide any pedestal for supporting the panel PC and being capable of moving the PC in a forward or backward direction.

In contrast to the Taiwanese prior art cited above, claim 1 of the present application teaches a desktop computer. The motherboard and other essential components of the desktop computer are positioned between the display 60 and the rear cover 80 to form the main computer 12. In addition, the desktop computer of the present application comprises the pedestal 14 for supporting the desktop computer on a desk, the bottom of the front housing 20 being pivotally mounted on the pedestal 14 and able to tilt in forward and backward directions. It is therefore asserted that claim 1 of the present application is substantially different from the prior art TP Application No.86213476. And, since all other claims are dependent on claim 1, they are also substantially different from the prior art TP Application No.86213476.

Respectfully Submitted,

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